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Gas leak kills four of a family in city

Police await post-mortem report

Mysuru, May 22 (RK&BCT)- Four people, including three women, died of asphyxiation due to an LPG cylinder leak at their home in Yaraganahalli on Monday night, Police said.

A team from Alanahalli Police Station, along with Crime Scene Officers, rushed to the spot after learning about the incident this morning. It has not yet been confirmed whether the deaths were accidental or intentional.

Initial investigations suggest that carbon monoxide leaked from the LPG cylinder, causing the deaths. Carbon monoxide is odourless, colourless and tasteless, so a leak may go unnoticed until it's too late. Inhaling carbon monoxide can result in serious illness, loss of consciousness and eventual death if there is no urgent medical intervention.

The deceased family members — Kumar, his wife Manjula and daughters Archana & Swathi.

It was a poorly ventilated small house at Yaraganahalli on Dr. Rajkumar Road where the family lived and the head of the family, from the Madivala Shetty community, eked out a living by washing and ironing clothes.

The deceased have been identified as Kumar (45), his wife Manjula (39) and daughters Archana, an M.Com student at Teresian College and Swathi, a B.Com student at Vani Vilas Urs College at Nazarbad. Kumar hails from Sakharayapatna in the Chikkamagalur district.

Wedding ceremony

Police and neighbours said that the family had attended a wedding in Sakharayapatna last week and returned to Mysuru on Sunday. The deaths likely occurred on Monday night, as neighbours noticed no activity next door yesterday.

Police said that as usual, the family had dinner and slept on Monday night as was evident by looking at the utensils. The incident came to light when Kumar's relative, Bharath, visited their house this morning after the family had been incommunicado for the last two days. When there was no response at the door, Bharath peeped through the window and saw the bodies lying on the floor. He immediately alerted the neighbours and called the Police. Neighbours reported that they could smell gas from the windows.

(See GAS LEAK on page 6)

On Top of the World...

City Doctor Usha Hegde becomes the first Mysurean to summit Mt. Everest

Mysuru, May 22 (VNS)- Mount Everest, the highest mountain above sea level, stands at 8,848.86 metres (29,031 ft.) and according to records, only 6,664 mountaineers of different nationalities have been able to complete the summit (reaching top of the Everest) and among them are 544 Indians. Joining the list of the elite mountaineers of the country and the world is 52-year-old Dr. Usha Hegde, Professor, Department of Oral Pathology and Microbiology, JSS Dental College and Hospital, Mysuru. With this achievement, Dr. Usha has become the first Mysurean to summit Mount Everest.

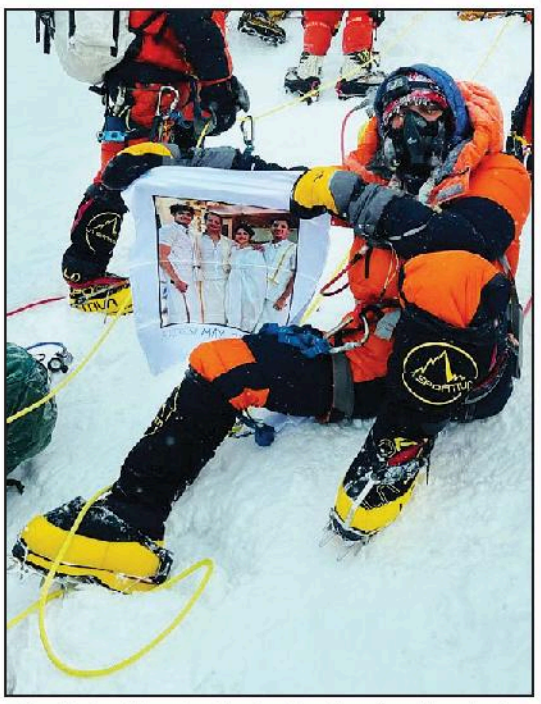
Dr. Usha Hegde started her journey from the South Base Camp located at a height of 5,364 mts (17, 598 ft) in Khumbu Pasanglhamu (Nepal) on Apr. 4 and ended on May 19 reaching the top of the mountain completing her 45-day journey.

Dr. Usha Hegde with her husband Dr. Ajay Hegde, who went to receive her at Kathmandu, Nepal, this morning.

Prior to starting her summit, Dr. Usha had to undergo training at different levels on reaching upper camps which included ascending and descending the peak, and slow walking among others.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* over phone this morning from Kathmandu, Nepal, Dr. Usha Hegde, sharing her experience said, it was a very fulfilling but a tough experience. "I was preparing for the summit for a long time. Over the past few years, I have taken part in various adventures including mountaineering at Leh and Ladakh. I have also undergone training at the Tata Steel Adventure Foundation in Jamshedpur which has been of great help," she added.

A relieved Dr. Usha Hegde also mentioned that her family was worried during her summit since there was no mobile connectivity but having completed the summit and descending from the mountain successfully, the family and friends have expressed a great sense of joy and happiness.



Dr. Usha Hegde displaying her family photo on top of Mount Everest.

(See DR. USHA on page 6)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Wednesday 22nd May 2024

Three-day workshop for women entrepreneurs from tomorrow

Mysuru, May 22 - Association of Women Entrepreneurs of Mysore, Lashkar Mohalla, is organising a three-day workshop for women entrepreneurs on the topic 'Hands on Practice' from May 23 to 25 at Katte Mane Vokkaligara Sangha, Sri Rama Mandira, No. 230, K.R. Hospital Road, Mandi Mohalla.

The demonstration will presented by C. Savitha, International Artist from Bengaluru.

The workshop will be held from 10 am to 4 pm. The topics include Colour Theory, International Product Knowledge, Dusky Tone Bridal Signature Look, Sweat Proof Makeup, Advance Air Brush Makeup Look and Learn. Certificate will be issued for all the participants.

Beauticians, Start-ups and Trainers can participate in this workshop by registering their names. For details contact Mob: 98809-27359 or 97385-58681, according to a press release from Padmini Shivanna, Association President.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

In April 2024, two shocking news reports revealed that the upper reach of the Cauvery River at Dubare in Kodagu and its tributary, Hemavathi near Sakleshpur in Karnataka, had dried up. This unprecedented event has caused widespread concern, as the perennial rivers from the Western Ghats are the lifelines for farming and drinking water in both urban and rural areas. Several factors contributed to the drying of the Cauvery River, including global warming and El-Nino, which affect the SW monsoon rains in India. The Western Ghats, which are the source of many South Indian rivers, including the Cauvery, Sharavati and Tungabhadra, are particularly vulnerable.

El-Nino, characterised by warm air from the central and eastern Pacific Ocean, disrupts SW monsoons, while La-Nina, characterised by cool air from the same region, tends to ensure better SW monsoon rains in India and droughts elsewhere in the world.

Unfortunately, the responsibility of addressing forest depletion and river drying in the Western Ghats seems to have been largely left to the Karnataka Forest Department (KFD), which lacks the resources to tackle such issues without special projects akin to the 'River Valley Projects' under India's Five Year Plans.

As the 2024 general election for the 18th Lok Sabha progresses, none of the major political parties have prioritised or even shown concern for global warming, climate change, droughts or cloud bursts or for mitigating measures in the manifestos. The conservation and rejuvenation of the forests, ecology and ecosystems in the river basins to address climate issues do not find a mention in the manifestos.

Long-term projects are needed to consolidate forests, halt encroachments, establish forest boundaries, improve forest density to suppress invasive weeds, regenerate degraded forests and enhance marshlands to improve subsoil seepage into the rivers. Such efforts will enable the Western Ghats to continue performing their essential ecological functions. All the concerned States that depend on the Cauvery River and the Government of India have to fund the project as long as water is required for the public, cattle and wildlife.

—B.M.T. Rajeev, retired Indian Forest Service Officer in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man pretends to be deaf and mute to avoid jail

Beijing: A man wanted for murder managed to avoid Police detection for over 20 years by pretending to be a deaf and mute scavenger in the mountains of Hubei Province in China.

On May 22, 2004, a young man named Xiao allegedly hit him on the head killing him on the spot. Xiao decided to leave his wife and child to go on the run. He ran into the mountains of Anxi County and pretended to be deaf and mute for the next 20 years.

Earlier this month, Police got a surprising match when a deaf and mute man in Fujian Province showed an uncanny resemblance to the wanted man, so Police was sent to investigate. On finding the suspect, they asked him, "Are you from Xiangcheng District in Xianyang, to which he instantly replied "Yes".

"I have been holding back my words for 20 years, and I felt that I was going crazy. When I left, my son was 11 and now 20 years have passed, I wonder how my family is doing?" a relieved Xiao told the Police.

Boy diagnosed with hair cutting phobia

New York: A 12-year-old boy who has never had his hair cut in his life and reportedly suffers from 'tonsurephobia', has been threatened with expulsion by his school because of his long hair.

Farouk James never had more than a trim of his hair and his waist-long mane has earned him more than 2,50,000 followers on Instagram alone. But when he started classes at his new school, he has been pressured into cutting his hair so that they reach above his shirt collar, as per school regulations. Farouk's family sent the school a doctor's notes that show he suffers from tonsurephobia', fear of having his hair cut, but the school has apparently chosen to ignore them and enforce its rule.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Tobacco smoke is a major contributor to respiratory diseases, including Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and Lung Cancer. Quitting smoking is one of the most impactful steps for lung health.

By Dr. Lakshmi Narasimhan R. - Consultant – Pulmonology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Online applications invited for admission to ITI courses

Mysuru May 22- The Government ITI, Belavadi, Mysuru taluk, has invited online applications from SSLC passed eligible students for admission to NCVT affiliated ITI courses in the following trades — Fitter, Turner, COPA and Stenography (20 seats each in Fitter and Turner trades and 24 seats each in COPA and Stenography).

The candidates must be at least 14 years of age and domiciled in Karnataka for a minimum of 5 years. There is reservation of seats for SC/ST and other categories as per Government rules and 33 percent of the seats are reserved for women.

The applications must be submitted online *www.cite.karnataka.gov.in*. The last date for applying is June 3. For more details, contact Ph: 0821-2950951 or Mob: 99802-89219, according to a press release.

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KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284.00 feet**	Maximum **2,859.00 feet**
Today's level **81.20 feet**	Today's level **2,257.32 feet**	Today's level **2,823.43 feet**
Last year's level **83.60 feet**	Last year's level **2,251.68 feet**	Last year's level **2,819.80 feet**
Yesterday's level **81.00 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,256.96 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,823.21 feet**
Today's Inflow **1,456 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **1,861 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **460 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **274 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **300 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **200 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- *An innocuous plant, White Snakeroot was responsible for the death of Abraham Lincoln's mother, Nancy Hanks. White snakeroot is a North American herb with flat-topped clusters of small white flowers and contains a toxic alcohol known as trematol. Unlike those who have died from directly ingesting deadly plants, poor Nancy Hanks was poisoned by simply drinking the milk of a cow who had grazed on the plant.*
- *Stinging Nettle: If anyone touches the leaves or stems, the needle-like hairs of this plant can inject formic acid into the skin. This can lead to burning and an itchy rash.*
- *Rhubarb: The garden vegetable's stems do make for delicious pies. Just don't try using leaves. Eating too much will shut down the kidneys, occasionally proving fatal.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher: *Suppose you had 15 cows and I gave you 12 more, what would you have?*
Student: *A dairy farm!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= **Rs. 83.23**
1 UK Pound	= **Rs. 106.12**
1 UAE Dirham	= **Rs. 22.66**
1 Euro	= **Rs. 90.39**

VOICE OF THE READER

Address traffic congestion on Sayyaji Rao Road-K.R. Circle junction

File photo of Sayyaji Rao Road and K.R. Circle signal junction.

Sir,

This is to draw the attention of the City Police Commissioner and the traffic authorities concerned towards the critical issue affecting the daily lives of commuters and residents in our city: the severe traffic congestion at the junction of Sayyaji Rao Road and K.R. Circle signal.

This area has become a significant bottleneck, causing extensive delays and frustration for motorists and pedestrians alike.

The root cause of this congestion appears to be the inadequate infrastructure at this junction, which cannot accommodate the high volume of traffic efficiently.

During peak hours, the situation becomes particularly dire, with vehicles getting stuck in long queues, leading to increased travel times and contributing to air pollution due to idling engines.

The bottleneck effect not only disrupts the flow of traffic but also poses safety risks, as emergency vehicles find it challenging to navigate through the gridlock.

To alleviate this pressing issue, I urge the local authorities to consider the following measures:

1. Traffic Signal Optimisation: Adjust the timing of traffic signals to improve the flow of vehicles and reduce waiting times at the junction.

2. Road Widening: Explore the possibility of widening the road at the junction to accommodate more lanes, thus easing the congestion (especially the green pandal put for Dasara is causing a significant bottleneck effect).

I believe that addressing this issue promptly will greatly enhance the commuting experience for all and contribute to the overall well-being of our city. I hope the authorities concerned will take immediate action to implement these suggestions and mitigate the traffic woes at this crucial junction.

—Dr. J. Veeresh
Akkamahadevi Road
JP Nagar
21.5.2024

Seers to inaugurate BSS Vidyodaya at Krishnamurthypuram in city tomorrow

FROM LEFT: ***BSS Vidyodaya Treasurer H.T. Swarna Kumar, Hon. Secretary R. Vasudev Bhat and Trustee H. Muralidhar Bhat seen during the press meet at BSS Vidyodaya in city yesterday.***

Mysuru, May 22 (GA & BNR)- BSS Vidyodaya (formerly Bhagini Seva Samaja), built at Krishnamurthypuram in city under the joint aegis of Y.K. Amrutha Bai S.K. Surama Bai Bhagini Seva Samaja Educational and Cultural Trust and Sri Vijaya Vittala Vidya Pratishtana, will be inaugurated tomorrow (May 23) at 5 pm.

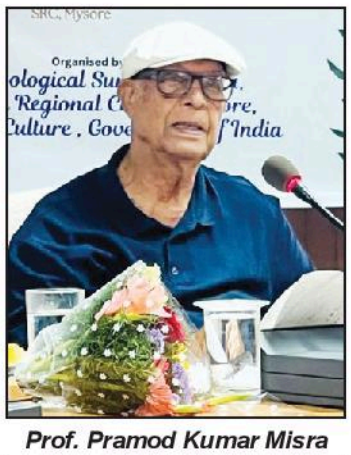
Announcing this at a press meet at BSS Vidyodaya in city yesterday, BSS Vidyodaya Hon. Secretary R. Vasudev Bhat said that Sri Vidyadheesha Theertha Swamiji of Palimar Mutt, Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji of Suttur Mutt and Sri Vishwaprasanna Theertha Swamiji of Pejawar Mutt will grace the inaugural event.

Stating that the Educational Institution established by Y.K. Amrutha Bai in 1923 will be operational in the new building with required facilities that will be launched on May 23, he said that initially admission is open for Pre-LKG to 5th standard and so far 150 students are admitted. Admission is open till August and nearly 250 admissions are expected, he added.

Noting that the institution has adopted the facilities mentioned in the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, he said that from next year, CBSE classes will also be started. Along with curricular, Yoga, Bhajans, Arts and Music classes will be conducted at the institution and separate activity rooms and meditation rooms are also constructed. This academic year will commence with 27 staff including 11 teachers and there are plans to start 8th standard, he added.

BSS Vidyodaya Treasurer H.T. Swarna Kumar, Trustee H. Muralidhar Bhat and Principal Pavan Kumar were present at the press meet.

Special lecture on 'Anthropological Museum from Lakshadweep' held



Prof. Pramod Kumar Misra

Mysuru, May 22 (KS)- As part of International Museum Day - 2024, Anthropological Survey of India (AnSI), Southern Regional Centre, Mysuru, had organised a special lecture titled "Concept to Reality - The First Collections of Zonal Anthropological Museum from Lakshadweep Islands" in city recently.

Prof. Pramod Kumar Misra, an esteemed anthropologist, delivered the lecture and delved into fascinating journey of bringing the cultural heritage of Lakshadweep Islands.

Deputy Director of AnSI Dr. Harashawaradhana inspired the staff and also elucidated the significance of museums in education and research.

Earlier, Dr. Harashawaradhana welcomed the speaker and the gathering. Banita Behera conducted the programme.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Moonlight Music at Suttur Mutt

Vid. Vinay Sharva will present vocal concert at Suttur Mutt at the foot of Chamundi Hill in city at 6 pm tomorrow (May 23) as part of the Mutt's Moonlight Music Programme-267. He will be accompanied by Vidu. C.V. Shruthi on violin, Vid. K. Vishnuvardhan on mridanga and Vid. Srinidhi R. Koundinya on ghata. Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji will grace the occasion, according to a press release.

Ph.D awardees

D.N. Jyothi has been awarded Ph.D in Civil Engineering by the Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi, for her thesis 'Shear Behaviour of compacted Kaolinite-Sand, Bentonite-Sand and Kaolinite-Bentonite-Sand mixtures' [Guide: Dr. H.S. Prasanna].

N. Nakul has been awarded Ph.D in Civil Engineering Sciences by the VTU for his thesis 'Behaviour and Comparison of Various Fibres in Concrete subjected to Elevated Temperatures' [Guide: Dr. Y.M. Manjunath].

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Cholera, vomiting-diarrhoea

K.R. Hospital, District Hospital get 25 additional bed facility

MCC takes up preventive steps to control spread of epidemic

District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy providing information to DC Dr. K.V. Rajendra during the latter's visit to the District Hospital yesterday. Picture right shows additional bed facility made at KR Hospital in city.

Mysuru, May 22 (PM&KS)- In a bid to provide timely treatment to those suffering from vomiting, diarrhoea and cholera, the Health Department is keeping vigil across the district and 25 additional bed facilities have been made at KR Hospital in the heart of the city and at the District Hospital on KRS Road.

Though three persons at Tagadur village in Nanjangud taluk were diagnosed with cholera and treated following which they recovered completely, people suffering from vomiting and diarrhoea has not been completely stopped.

District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy, speaking to *Star of Mysore*, said that additional bed facilities have been made at KR Hospital and the District Hospital in city and added that a temporary clinic has been established in a school at K. Salundi village. The DHO had advised people to drink boiled and cooled water, wash hands thoroughly with soap and water after using the toilet and before preparing food and eating it. "Such a habit will destroy cholera-causing bacteria, if any," he added.

Preventive measures by MCC: Meanwhile, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has also taken up steps to prevent the spread of epidemic diseases, said MCC Chief Health Officer Dr. N.P. Venkatesh to *SOM*.

He said that announcements to create awareness on cholera and other epidemic diseases through public address systems mounted on garbage collection vehicles are being taken up daily with public being advised to drink only boiled and cooled water, keep the surroundings clean and hotels told to maintain cleanliness.

He further said that public have been urged to contact the MCC if they come across contaminated water being supplied or if there is a change in the colour of water supplied to them. "Awareness is being created by the MCC staff during door-to-door garbage collection," Dr. Venkatesh added.

Pointing out that MCC Health Inspectors have been asked to inspect food items prepared during weddings and other functions, Dr. Venkatesh said that Health Inspectors have also been assigned to check the quality of drinking water.

"Fogging to control breeding of mosquitoes is taken up across the city. Fogging outside Maharani's College on Valmiki Road has been taken up twice a week and public suffering from fever, vomiting and diarrhoea should visit the District Hospital and avail treatment," Dr. Venkatesh said.

Meanwhile, Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra, who visited the District Hospital last night, enquired the health condition of K. Salundi villagers, who are availing treatment after they fell sick by drinking contaminated water.

Patients kept under observation

Meanwhile, DHO Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy, who spoke to *SOM* this afternoon, said that all 33 people of K. Salundi, who are undergoing treatment are recovering. They are kept under observation today and will be discharged once they recover completely.

Miscreants siphon off Rs. 15.98 lakh from Hassan Dy.SP's accounts

Mysuru, May 22 (SPN&KS)- Miscreants have siphoned off a total of Rs. 15.98 lakh from two bank accounts of Hassan Sub-Division Dy.SP P.K. Muralidhar.

The Dy.SP has two Canara Bank accounts, one in Madikeri Main Branch and the other in Bhagamandala Branch. On May 20 at about 1.30 pm, the Dy.SP began getting messages on his mobile phone about cash being transferred and it was then the Dy.SP came to know that his money was being transferred illegally.

The miscreants have transferred a total of Rs. 12,10,711 in 25 transfers from his account in the Madikeri Main Branch and Rs. 3,88,050 from Bhagamanda Branch in 10 transfers. In all, the miscreants had transferred a total of Rs. 15,98,761 from the two Bank accounts. Dy.SP Muralidhar, in his complaint to Hassan District CEN Police, has urged them to trace the miscreants and initiate legal action against them.

Retired Dy. SP Krishne Urs no more

Mysuru, May 22- D. Krishne Urs, retired Dy.SP, who had taken part in the operation to nab dreaded poacher and sandalwood smuggler Veerappan, passed away on Tuesday in Bengaluru.

Krishne Urs

Last rites were held at the Kengeri Burial Grounds in Bengaluru this morning.

Krishne Urs, who had served at various Police Stations in city as a Sub-Inspector, was taking part in the operations to nab Veerappan conducted by the District Police before the Special Task Force (STF) was formed.

On Apr. 9, 1990, when he was returning to Male Mahadeshwara Hills from Hogenkal along with other Police officers, Veerappan and his gang ambushed the vehicle and began to fire killing Sub-Inspectors Dinesh, Ramalingu & Jagannath and Constable Shankar Rao. But Krishne Urs and another Sub-Inspector Chandrappa retaliated and fired back forcing Veerappan gang to flee.

Though Krishne Urs and Chandrappa sustained injuries, they managed to safeguard the weapons and the bodies of the slain Police officers. Recognising their bravery and the timely act, they were awarded with the Chief Minister's Medal.

First woman newspaper editor of Kodagu dies at 93

Virajpet, May 22- Jayalakshmi Govindarao (93), Founder of 'Rashtramata' weekly newspaper and the first woman newspaper editor of Kodagu district, passed away at her residence on Jain Street on Tuesday morning.

She leaves behind three sons, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

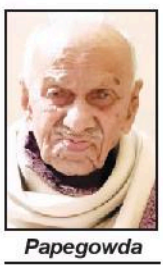
Jayalakshmi, who started 'Rashtramatha' weekly in 1974, was the editor of the newspaper.

She had also served as the President of Virajpet Mahila Samaja and was involved in Congress party actively.

Jayalakshmi Govindarao

Last rites were held at Ursunagar Burial Grounds in the town.

113-year-old Papegowda passes away



Papegowda

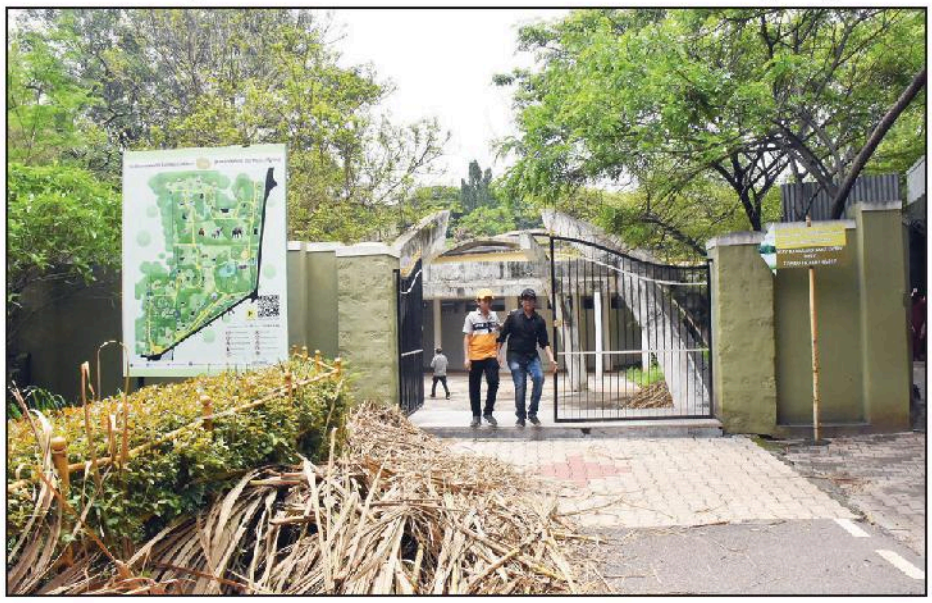
Srirangapatna, May 22- Papegowda (113), a resident of Majjigepura village in the taluk, passed away yesterday at the village.

He leaves behind six sons including retired Executive Officer of Mandya CHESCom Shivegowda, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held yesterday evening, according to family sources.

Fresh attempt to revive Zoo aquarium project

Search begins for transaction advisors to prepare DPR after studying technical & financial feasibility



Mysuru, May 22 (MTY&BCT)- The much-touted and long-pending world-class aquarium project at the Mysuru Zoo (Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens), which has been in limbo for over 12 years, has gained fresh traction.

Zoo authorities are now looking to select transaction advisors or consultancies to prepare the Detailed Project Report (DPR) after studying the technical and financial feasibility of the Rs. 45-crore project.

The aquarium structure, half-built by the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), was handed over to the Zoo in 2018 for refurbishing and maintenance. It was built at a cost of Rs. 4.26 crore. Despite the handover and grand announcements, the aquarium project has not progressed.

In 2019, the Zoo Authority of Karnataka (ZAK) identified a New Zealand firm that built the Aquatic Life Science Park in the Science City of Gujarat in Ahmedabad to complete the aquarium project and sent a proposal to the State Government for approval. However, this did not materialise.

In 2020, the ZAK proposed using the Swiss Challenge method for selecting bidders. In this process, an interested party submits a project proposal, which the Government then publicises to invite competing bids. The original proposer has the chance to match the best bid, combining elements of both open auctions and closed tenders to determine the best price for the project. Even this did not get Government approval.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore,* Zoo Executive Director D. Mahesh Kumar said that a Request for Proposal (RFP) has been issued to select transaction advisors or consultancies to prepare the DPR for the project.

Technical and financial feasibility

"Once the DPR is prepared with 3-D images of the futuristic project, we will call for tenders under the Public-Private-Partnership (PPP) model. We have already secured Government approval for this model. The process to appoint transaction advisors will begin after June 4, following the conclusion of the Lok Sabha poll code," he said.

The building is 10 years old, and transaction advisors will assess the project's feasibility before making a decision based on their feedback. The feasibility study includes two aspects: technical and financial.

The technical feasibility will be evaluated by an engineering team, which will assess the building's structure, space and suitability for the proposed aquarium.

The financial viability will consider the return on investment (ROI) and the expected number of visitors, addressing operations and maintenance aspects. "We are not worried about the ROI, as the Zoo consistently attracts visitors daily, with numbers doubling on weekends and peaking during holidays and festival seasons. Zoo visitors will want to visit the modern aquarium," Mahesh Kumar added.

After DPR preparation, tenders will be called under PPP model, involving private players for capital investment. The project will operate under BOOT (build, own, operate and transfer) model, with specifications to be determined during tendering process. The entire process will follow the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement guidelines, he said.

MCC Main Office building roof is leaking

Mysuru, May 22 (RK&BS)- Following incessant rainfall, the roof of Main Office building of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), a heritage structure, is witnessing seepage of water at places, triggering anxiety among the staff.

On Tuesday, the rooms in the first floor of the building were waterlogged affecting the functioning of several departments in MCC. The staff who reported to duty in the morning had to wait for sometime, till the water was drained out.

Learning about the situation, MCC Commissioner Dr. N.N. Madhu summoned District Heritage Committee Member Prof. N.S. Rangaraju and Dasharath of Namma Mysuru Foundation (NMF) to the spot and inspected the roof of the building, along with MCC Deputy Commissioner (Development) K.J. Sindhu, Assistant Director (Town Planning) Sahana and Assistant Engineer Shwetha.

Prof. Rangaraj observed that "The pipes laid to facilitate the flow of rain water is blocked and the terrace is in a dilapidated state leading to seepage of water. The repair works have been carried out at times covering the porous points with concrete thus elevating the original level of the terrace roof by half-a-feet."

He suggested that additional concrete should be removed and a mixture of lime mortar and shells should be used to restore the terrace on heritage lines.

Dr. Madhu assured to lead a delegation to the Chief Minister and submit a proposal along with an estimate, seeking funds for rejuvenation of the building.

Dr. Usha on Top of the World...

Dr. Usha Hegde taking a selfie with Sherpa Phurba, who accompanied her during the summit. Picture alongside shows Dr. Usha practising ice walking on Khumbu Glacier located at a height of 17,999 ft. on the Everest Base Camp.

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"Once the ascent to the Everest started from the base camp, it took us five days to reach the top of the peak which is at a height of 29,031 ft. and then it took us three days to descend. We also had to wait for good weather to start our summit," said Dr. Usha Hegde.

"The journey was not easy as I was staying in a small tent at the base camp where I had to acclimatise to the weather conditions with temperatures ranging from -5 degree Celsius to -10 degree Celsius at the base camp and up to -40 degree Celsius at the upper camps," she added.

Dr. Usha was accompanied by Sherpa Phurba during her journey to the top of Mount Everest, who she says was very encouraging and reassuring to climb with.

An avid fitness enthusiast, Dr. Usha Hegde has been taking part in Marathons, Ironman Triathlons and many such events. Her fitness regime includes regular visits to the gym and also climbing Chamundi Hill and much more.

Dr. Usha is married to city's renowned Orthopaedic Surgeon Dr. Ajay Hegde, who is also a sports and adventure enthusiast. The couple has two sons — Akarsh, a House Surgeon and Aryav, II year MBBS student at A.J. Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Centre in Mangaluru.

Dr. Ajay Hegde, who was in Kathmandu to receive his wife this morning as she returned from the mountains, said: "I may have not been to the top of the world but I am on top of the world too. And I am proud of Usha."

"Usha loves adventure and takes it seriously. She has trained hard to achieve her goal of summiting the Mount Everest. I am just waiting to see what she will do next," he added.

Dr. Usha says she can do these adventures as her family is very supportive of her outdoor endeavours and when asked what's the next adventure she said, "For now, I just want to enjoy the achievement and get back to Mysuru and relax with the family."

Gas leak: Scenes from the tragic spot at Yaraganahalli

The house where Kumar and his family lived.

Alanahalli Police conducting mahazar at Yaraganahalli.

Crowd gathered in front of deceased Kumar's house.

The grief-stricken relatives and neighbours.

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The family migrated to Mysuru 30 years ago and Kumar and Manjula were involved in cleaning and ironing clothes.

Police said that Kumar used an LPG cylinder to iron clothes. The Police are yet to ascertain whether the leak occurred in the LPG cylinder connected to the cooking stove or the LPG iron system.

Forensic Team mahazar

City Police Commissioner Ramesh Banoth, DCP (Law and Order) M. Muthuraj and other officers visited the scene. The Dog Squad, Fingerprint Experts, and Forensic Team were summoned for the investigation. The bodies have been shifted to JSS Medical College mortuary for the post-mortem.

Dr. Smitharani from JSS Medical College is conducting the autopsy.

A case has been registered at the Alanahalli Police Station. Since the Alanahalli Inspector is part of the Special Investigation Team (SIT) formed to investigate the Hassan Sex Scandal involving MP Prajwal Revanna, the investigation and legal processes will be supervised by Nazarbad Inspector Mahadevaswamy.

SEX SCANDAL

May 30 protest in Hassan is Govt. sponsored, alleges HDK

Mysuru, May 22 (BLU&BS)- In a no-holds-barred attack on Congress-led State Government over the developments surrounding sex scandal allegedly involving his nephew and Hassan JD(S) MP Prajwal Revanna, former Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy (HDK) alleged that 'troubling political rivals and practicing politics of hatred' is the only job of the Government.

Speaking to media persons in the city this morning, Kumaraswamy, who is also JD(S) State President, said "Government sponsored protest has been organised in Hassan on May 30 and the officers have been instructed to bring Anganwadi workers for the protest. The Government should not stoop low to such a level. Had they asked me, I only would have arranged some women for the protest."

"While the videos (of voyeuristic acts involving Prajwal) have been shot, the videos have been distributed for political gain. Doesn't it amount to crime," asked Kumaraswamy.

Without taking the name of Dy.CM D.K. Shivakumar (DKS), HDK said, "That Mahanubhava (Gentleman) had opened a CD factory in 1980 itself. Politics is not the asset of anybody and the ups and downs in public life are the grace of the divine. Why should I be jealous of him."

Moreover, Karthik (the former driver of Prajwal) is the source of pen drive and had gone to D.K. Suresh, Bangalore Rural MP, along with Hassan Congress LS candidate. It was during that time, DKS has made a copy of the contents of the pendrive, alleged Kumaraswamy, who also charged BJP leader and advocate Devaraje Gowda and former Mandya MP L.R. Shivarame Gowda of being hand in glove with them.

Karthik is being guarded by 8 Cops and that is why he is neither arrested nor produced before the Court, HDK added.

"I am not in favour of Prajwal and let him be punished if he is proven guilty. But the Chief Minister should understand that 'Power is not permanent' and will wage a legal battle against the misuse of power," warned HDK.

He also said that, JD(S)-BJP alliance won't be affected by the controversy surrounding the pen drive, but it is true that the family of Deve Gowda has suffered quite a dent.

Training his guns on CM Siddaramaiah, HDK said "The incident of water contamination that has claimed a life at K. Salundi in Chamundeshwari Constituency shows how Siddaramaiah has developed the Constituency he had represented in the Assembly for four times in the past."

Questioning the contributions of Siddaramaiah for the development of Mysuru, HDK said "Siddaramaiah is in the last leg of politics and let him develop Mysuru at least now. He lacks any morality to criticise us in the matters of development."

Legislative Council Polls

Former CM Kumaraswamy sure of NDA candidate's victory

Mysuru, May 22 (SBD&VNS) - BJP-JD(S) coalition candidate K. Vivekananda is sure to emerge victorious in the ensuing Legislative Council Polls from South Teachers Constituency, said Former Chief Minister and JD(S) State President H.D. Kumaraswamy, here yesterday.

Addressing the joint convention of JD(S) and BJP leaders at a convention hall in Nivedithanagar in city, H.D. Kumaraswamy said the ensuing Council Polls was one of the biggest and strongest elections that both parties were facing as a joint force aiming to win with a highest margin.

Stating that the then Chief Minister H.D. Deve Gowda had revolutionised the education sector by appointing one lakh teachers including 50,000 women with Govinde Gowda as the Education Minister, former CM Kumaraswamy mentioned that later it was only during the BJP-JD(S) coalition Government in 2006-07 that the education sector witnessed a drastic change with appointment of 56,000 teachers apart from starting new Pre University, First Grade, Diploma and ITI Colleges.

Questioning the reforms taken up by the Congress Government, the former CM mentioned that the previous Congress Government with Siddaramaiah as the Chief Minister for years and currently completing one year in office had not started a single college in the State or has sanctioned grants.

Kumaraswamy also urged the voters to make note that announcement of starting Public Schools to provide education in English medium had only remained in papers and added the unaided schools that were started prior to 1994 was brought under the Government aid scheme when JD(S)–BJP coalition Government was in power.

Stating that joining hands with BJP has further strengthened the JD(S) in Mysuru region, Kumaraswamy urged party leaders and workers to visit the houses of every voter to seek support for the NDA candidate.

Speaking on the occasion, JD(S) Core Committee Chairman and MLA G.T. Devegowda, who said that the Congress party was frightened with JD(S) and BJP coming together, said that he had information about Primary and Secondary Education Minister was threatening teachers with the help of the Department higher officials.

Calling leaders of all four districts — Mysuru, Mandya, Chamarajanagar and Hassan — to work in unison for the victory of NDA candidate, Devegowda mentioned that aspirants from BJP had also extended their complete support to K. Vivekananda, the NDA candidate from the Constituency.

Former Dy CM C.N. Ashwathnarayan, who also spoke, said that the Council Polls scheduled on June 3 had gained a lot of importance with BJP-JD(S) parties joining hands. "With both the parties forming a coalition, the Congress party has taken aback. We need to ensure that our candidate emerges victorious with the help of first preferential votes."

MLAs H.D. Revanna, T.S. Srivatsa, C.N. Balakrishna, H.K. Suresh, former MLAs S.R. Mahesh and N. Mahesh, BJP City President L. Nagendra, BJP District President L.R. Mahadevaswamy, JD (S) City President K.T. Cheluvegowda, JD(S) District President Narasimhaswamy and others were present.

Girl goes missing from city

Mysuru, May 22 (KS)- A 15-year-old girl, who left her house on Apr. 28, has since gone missing.

Sujatha

The missing girl is Sujatha, a resident of Raghavendranagar in city.

Those having any information about the missing girl may contact Nazarbad Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418308 or call Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339, according to a press release.

II PUC Exam-2 results out

Bengaluru, May 22 (Agencies)- A total of 35.25 percent of students have passed II PUC Examination-2 of the year 2024, the results of which were announced yesterday by Karnataka School Examination and Assessment Board (KSEAB).

The students who appeared for exams can check their marks in the official website of KSEAB: karresults.nic.in by logging in with their registration number and uploading the details of their optional subjects.

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The Institute invites the Tender for Catering service for National Yoga Olympiad at RIE Mysuru in sealed covers. For more details please log on to our website: **www.riemysore.ac.in**

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Date: 22.05.2024

Buddha Purnima at Heritage House tomorrow

Mysuru, May 22 (OSR)- Heritage House, located on Fire Brigade Road in Saraswathipuram has organised its 2nd Annual Buddha Purnima celebration on May 23 at 5.30 pm, offering insightful sessions on breathing and meditation techniques. This event aims to bring together enthusiasts and practitioners to explore and deepen their meditation practices.

The celebration features activities, such as breathing and meditation techniques by Rajen Varada, a teacher in Buddhist monasteries. Later, Kamakshi Balasubramanian will address common hindrances to meditation, providing insights for both novice and experienced practitioners. The event will also allow participants to share their experiences and learn from each other. For registration, contact Mob: 99729-62868.

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10th Annual Meet of Indian Prosthodontic Society held

Dr. B. Suresh, Pro-Chancellor, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, seen inaugurating the conference of Indian Prosthodontic Society, Karnataka State branch, in city recently as Dr. Umesh Pai, Dr. Manoj Shetty, Dr. Manesh Lahori, Dr. Shilpa Shetty, Dr. Anil Kumar Gujjari, Dr. Sunil Dhaded, Dr. Prakash Nidvani, Dr. M.R. Dakshaini, Dr. K.N. Ragavendra Swamy and Dr. S. Sowmya look on.

Mysuru, May 22- The Department of Prosthodontics and Crown & Bridge, JSS Dental College and Hospital, Bannimantap, in collaboration with the Indian Prosthodontic Society (IPS), Karnataka State branch, conducted the 10th annual conference in city recently. A total of 250 delegates participated.

Dr. B. Suresh, Pro-Chancellor, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, who was the chief guest, urged the delegates to embrace precision dentistry aligned with emerging technologies, thereby making a significant impact in dental education.

Dr. Manesh Lahori, President of Indian Prosthodontic Society and guest of honour, offered invaluable advice to budding Prosthodontists. Dr. Chetan Hegde, Past President of Indian Prosthodontic Society, delivered "Dr. Satish Babu Memorial Oration" which was chaired by President-elect Dr Shilpa Shetty.

The conference showcased a line up of speakers from both national and international arenas, bringing together top minds and experts in Prosthodontics.

They shared their expertise and cutting-edge research, enriching the conference with diverse perspectives and invaluable knowledge on topics such as Artificial Intelligence, Full Mouth Rehabilitation, Obstructive Sleep Apnoea, Occlusal Derrangement and Back Pain, Life Casting, and Research Translating to Clinical Practice.

Dr. Supriya Chauhan from Dubai and an alumnus conducted pre-conference workshops with hands-on learning opportunities on life casting, a novel technique for duplicating a person's body parts as keepsakes.

Dr Surabhi Mahidhar, Prosthodontist and Implantologist, also an alumnus, practically taught how to do dental implant impressions the conventional way and the digital way.

The organising team consisted of Dr. G. Anil Kumar, Dr. M.R. Dhakshaini, Dr. K.N. Raghavendra, Dr. S. Ganesh, Dr. M.B. Ravi, Dr. Nanditha Kumar, Dr. B.S. Sunila, Dr. S. Sowmya, Dr. S. Meenakshi, Dr. C. Anupama, Dr. C.P. Kathyayani and the post graduates.

Admissions open

for Ranga Rao Memorial School for Differently Abled

Mysuru, May 22- Ranga Rao Memorial School for Differently Abled (RMSD), run by NR Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the NR Group, has invited applications from visually impaired students for admission for the academic year 2024-25.

Started in 1988, Ranga Rao Memorial School for Differently Abled is a free residential school initiated for visually challenged girls. The school operates under "child centric project" and is supported by Department for Empowerment of Differently Abled and Senior Citizens, Government of Karnataka.

In the academic year 2017-2018, the school received Best Service Organisation award in disabled sector from the Department for Empowerment of Differently Abled and Senior Citizens on World Disability Day.

What started with two students is now a huge residential school that is changing the life of hundreds of visually impaired girls. It not only provides quality education, but also helps in holistic development and prepares students to live a life with dignity outside the school.

Extracurricular activities like dance, yoga workshops, bird-watching, singing, competition vocational training etc., are a part and parcel of life at RMSD.

The school follows the State syllabus, learning through Braille system, taught by highly qualified teachers and imparts technology upgradation task & computer skills.

It also provides parent counselling and organises house-to-house visits to bring about awareness on the importance of educating visually impaired girls.

For admission, visit RMSD, next to Metagalli Police Station, Metagalli or contact Mob: 96866-68434.

'Limit your expectations for a healthy life'

Mysuru, May 22- The Elder Citizens Council & Trust had organised a lecture-cum-demonstration programme on 'Holistic Health Care Practices by Self (meditation) to support Healthy Life' by Viejna K. Rao, Facilitator, Health Care & Wellness Advisor, as part of the Council's monthly series of 'Health Talk' at its Saraswathi Samudaya Bhavan in Jayalakshmipuram.

Viejna, a native of Mangaluru, highlighted various factors that bring about sufferings in the form of depression and frustration in mind affecting normal health, which may require immediate support by way of control of emotions, sentiments and control over the mind to come back to normal life.

This can be overcome by diversion and control of mind. This is generally observed in both young and old generations as per the situation, she said.

Viejna said one can find solace in mind through pranayama by regularly practising Muladhara, Swadhistana, Manipura, Anahata, Vishudha, Ajnachakra and Sahasrana Chakras to control the mind to lead a peaceful life free from depression.

The speaker also demonstrated various Mudra pranayamas including the Gnana mudra (mind activation), Apana vayu mudra (relief from heart diseases) and many more to make the programme proactive.

Dr. H.M. Nagaraju, President of Elder Citizens Council, presided. Gowdappa, Chairman of the Trust, was present.

K.S. Krishna, Secretary, welcomed and introduced the speaker to the audience. Prof. Javare Gowda, Treasurer, proposed the vote of thanks.

Prof. Jagannath, retired ISRO scientist, who was among the audience, appreciated the efforts of the speaker to highlight the need for developing love and affection among the family members and friends that can bring about relief against any depression or frustration in life.

Other members present included K.V. Ramanath, Vice-President of the Council, S.V. Venkateshaiah, K.V.K. Naidu, L.N. Achar, C. Sundaresh, S. Manorama, Suseela Mari Gowda, V.R. Shyamala, G.H. Anandaram, Ramasesh, Chidananda, V. Prasada, Sridhara, Jayapal to name a few.

CII leadership interacts

with Principals of 18 institutions

Mysuru, May 22 (BCT)- A recent gathering brought together Principals and Leaders from 18 institutions to explore potential collaborations, laying the groundwork for future strides in bridging the gap between academia and industry.

The interaction, organised by Confederation of Indian Industry, Mysuru Zone (CII Mysuru Zone), began with a discussion of 30 events held across 11 institutions, which involved the participation of 20 industry members, leaving an indelible impact on nearly 5,000 students.

Santosh Gundapi, Senior Director at AT&S India Pvt. Ltd., and Vice-Chairman of CII Mysuru, delved into the realm of industry projects, elucidating their potential as vehicles for addressing industry challenges.

Encouraging institutions to take ownership of such projects, he advocated for sustained engagement, involving faculty and successive batches of students to ensure successful outcomes.

Eswar Rao, Vice-President (Works), JK Tyre & Industries Ltd., Mysuru and CII Mysuru Chairman, drew from his experiences to exemplify the mutually beneficial nature of industry-academia collaborations. He cited instances where his company leveraged patented solutions from academic realms, resulting in fruitful outcomes for both parties. Extolling the virtues of collaborative problem-solving, he urged institutions to actively engage with industry partners in tackling real-world challenges, emphasising the potential for win-win outcomes.

The dialogue culminated in a plethora of ideas and suggestions from Principals and senior members across engineering, management and general degree colleges, as well as universities, paving the way for a future marked by innovation and synergy.

CWMA orders Karnataka to release 2.5 tmcft of Cauvery water to TN

Chennai, May 22 (Agencies)- The Cauvery Water Management Authority (CWMA) on Tuesday directed Karnataka to comply with the Cauvery Water Regulatory Committee's (CWRC) recommendation to release 2.5 tmcft (thousand million cubic feet) of Cauvery water to Tamil Nadu for May.

However, the authority has failed to guarantee the lower riparian State, Tamil Nadu, to receive its due share of Cauvery water as per the distress formula of the Supreme Court's verdict.

Sources in the State Water Resources Department said that there is no "hope" of getting the State's due share of water from Karnataka despite the CWRC recommendations and CWMA direction.

They have repeatedly raised the issue over the shortfall and insisted the authority to direct the Karnataka government to release 7 tmcft of water to match the shortfall from January this year along with the 2.5 tmcft of water due for May.

The cumulative flows realised at the inter-State contact point of Biligundulu was 78.696 tmcft as against 174.333 tmcft between June 1 and April 25. The shortfall accounts for 95.537 tmcft of water during the period.

"The CWMA listens to our plea but does not redress the grievance to get the stipulated quantity of water for the year. They only direct the upper riparian State to release water for the respective month. For that, they (Karnataka) responded negatively by citing poor rainfall in the catchment areas," said a reliable source privy to the development at the CWMA meeting held in Delhi on Tuesday.

Additional Chief Secretary of the Water Resources Department Sandeep Saxena represented Tamil Nadu at the meeting chaired by CWMA's Chairperson S.K. Haldar to discuss and arrive at a consensus on sharing Cauvery water for May.

The officials from Tamil Nadu gave details on the available water level in Mettur, which is the lifeline of the Delta region. They pointed out that Karnataka has not released water since January, despite CWMA direction.

They also pointed out that the cumulative water storage in the reservoirs — Harangi, Hemavathy, Kabini and Krishna Raja Sagar — in Karnataka, is 19.7 tmcft and that they need around 4 tmcft for drinking water purposes.

The officials also emphasised the importance of realising the stipulated quantity of water for environmental and drinking water purposes in Tamil Nadu. On hearing the Tamil Nadu officials, the CWMA directed the Karnataka government to release 2.5 tmcft of water for May as per the Supreme Court verdict.

However, Karnataka said that they were not in a position to release Cauvery water due to the water crisis in their State. Karnataka said the water available in four designated Cauvery water storage dams is at the lowest and it is just sufficient to meet the critical water requirements for drinking and industrial use.

"Karnataka will not be in a position to assure any flow from its storage other than what may be realised at Biligundlu from its immediate catchment areas," Karnataka said in its submission.

Southwest Monsoon to be robust for Karnataka

IMD predicts 106 percent more rain this monsoon, above normal levels across country

Bengaluru, May 22 (Agencies)- A cyclonic circulation is currently situated over North Kerala in the lower and middle tropospheric levels, with another circulation present over the North Coastal Andhra Pradesh region in the lower tropospheric levels, according to the India Meteorological Department (IMD).

These circulations are influencing weather patterns across several States. Due to these cyclonic circulations, the following weather patterns are expected over the next five days, according to the IMD: South interior Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Kerala will experience fairly widespread to widespread light to moderate rainfall, accompanied by thunderstorms, lightning and gusty winds (30-40 kmph).

Monsoon typically advances to Kerala around June 1. It then progresses northwards in surges, usually covering the entire country by July 15.

The IMD has indicated that conditions are favourable for the further advancement of the Southwest Monsoon. Over the next two to three days until May 26, the monsoon is expected to advance over some parts of the Southeast Arabian Sea.

The cyclonic circulation is likely to result in light to moderate rainfall in Coastal and South Interior Karnataka, according to IMD Bengaluru. It also noted that a few areas in Mysuru, Kodagu, Hassan, Chikkamagalur and Chamarajanagar will receive heavy rainfall.

This Southwest Monsoon is expected to be robust for Karnataka, with experts forecasting a non-drought year and a bumper crop for farmers. Karnataka faced 16 drought years between 2001 and 2023, with 2023 being the worst in the last 123 years.

In 2023, the State recorded less rainfall, resulting in 223 of the 236 taluks being declared drought-hit. Additionally, most parts of Karnataka experienced a dry spell from January to April this year. However, the situation is improving, with the State receiving some rain in May.

The IMD has predicted 106 percent more rain this monsoon, which is above the normal level across the country. For Karnataka, during the Southwest Monsoon, the State is expected to receive 860 mm of rain, which could increase to 900 mm this year, according to experts.

Rains active in Kodagu; KRS Dam level rising steadily

Madikeri, May 22- In Kodagu district, an average rainfall of 32.24 mm was recorded in the last 24 hours ending at 8.30 am on Tuesday. On the same day last year, the rainfall was 0.67 mm. The total rainfall from January to date is 230.48 mm, compared to 123.56 mm during the same period last year.

Consequent to the copious rain, the water level at the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) dam is increasing slowly. The maximum level of the Dam is 124.80 ft. and today it recorded 81.20 ft. In thousand million cubic feet (tmcft) parameters, the maximum capacity is 49.452 tmcft and today's capacity was recorded at 11.325 tmcft. Of this, the live capacity is 2.946 tmcft. An inflow of 1,456 cusecs and there is an outflow of 274 cusecs including water supply.

In Madikeri taluk, the average rainfall today is 28.80 mm. On the same day last year, it was 0.40 mm. The total rainfall from January to date is 325.59 mm, compared to 179.73 mm during the same period last year.

In Virajpet taluk, the average rainfall today is 16.50 mm. On the same day last year, it was 1.10 mm. The total rainfall from January to date is 139.35 mm, compared to 75.21 mm during the same period last year.

In Ponnampet taluk, the average rainfall today is 30.10 mm. On the same day last year, it was 1.84 mm. The total rainfall from January to date is 206.99 mm, compared to 78.78 mm during the same period last year.

In Somwarpet taluk, the average rainfall today is 37.70 mm. On the same day last year, it was 0.00 mm. The total rainfall from January to date is 210.35 mm, compared to 96.66 mm during the same period last year.

In Kushalnagar taluk, the average rainfall today is 48.10 mm. On the same day last year, it was 0.00 mm. The total rainfall from January to date is 270.10 mm, compared to 187.40 mm during the same period last year.

Rainfall details recorded in Hoblis within the district are: Madikeri Kasba: 23.60 mm, Napoklu: 28 mm, Sampaje: 37 mm, Bhagamandala: 26.60 mm, Virajpet Kasba: 12 mm, Ammathi: 21 mm, Hudikeri: 13.90 mm, Srimangala: 6.40 mm, Ponnampet: 20 mm, Balale: 80.08 mm, Somwarpet Kasba: 18.60 mm, Shanivarsanthe: 46 mm, Shanthalli: 50 mm, Kodlipet: 36.20 mm, Kushalnagar: 61 mm and Suntikoppa: 35.20 mm.

WORD OF THE DAY

Futile

Pronunciation: FYOO-tul (Adjective)
Meaning: An effort, action, or emotion described as futile has no result or effect, and therefore serves no useful purpose.
Origin: Attempts to pinpoint the first use of the phrase "resistance is futile" may ultimately be futile—that is, pointless or in vain—but that hasn't stopped folks from trying. Popular in movies and television series from Star Trek to Stargate, Veronica Mars to Napoleon Dynamite, the slogan is often uttered by an antagonist who wants to make it clear in no uncertain terms that they will be the one to prevail in the onscreen struggle. Some people point to a 1976 episode of Doctor Who in which a character called The Master says "Resistance is futile now," while others prefer the quote without the now, holding up a 1977 episode of Space: 1999 as being the first to feature it. However, author Randall Garrett had both shows beat in his 1961 short story "The Highest Treason," in which a character says "Not if they ... can prove that resistance is futile." Despite its clear importance to futuristic science fiction, however, the word futile has ancient roots. It comes from the Latin adjective fūtilis/futtilis, which was used to describe things that are brittle or fragile and, by extension, serve no purpose. These meanings survive in the English word futile, which denotes ineffectiveness.
Example: "... when resolve is wearing thin & hope feels futile, sometimes the only thing left to do is laugh." — Cassidy George, Rolling Stone, 10 Feb. 2023

THE ODD WORD

Petrichor

The smell of rain.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

A for Effort

Meaning: The phrase 'A for Effort' is used when recognising that someone tried hard to accomplish something although they might not have been successful.
Origin: You get an 'A for effort' when you do your best, even though your work might not be top-notch. We know that letter grades with "A" as the highest attainable grade were first used in the USA in the latter part of the 19th century. The origin of the idiom 'A for effort' isn't attributed to any one person or school; it has been in use since the 1940s.
Example: "The cake didn't turn out like she had planned, but I give her an A for effort!"

QUOTE BOX

Your self-worth is determined by you. You don't have to depend on someone telling you who you are. — **Beyoncé**

RIDDLE THIS

What can't be used until it is broken?

Answer: Egg.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

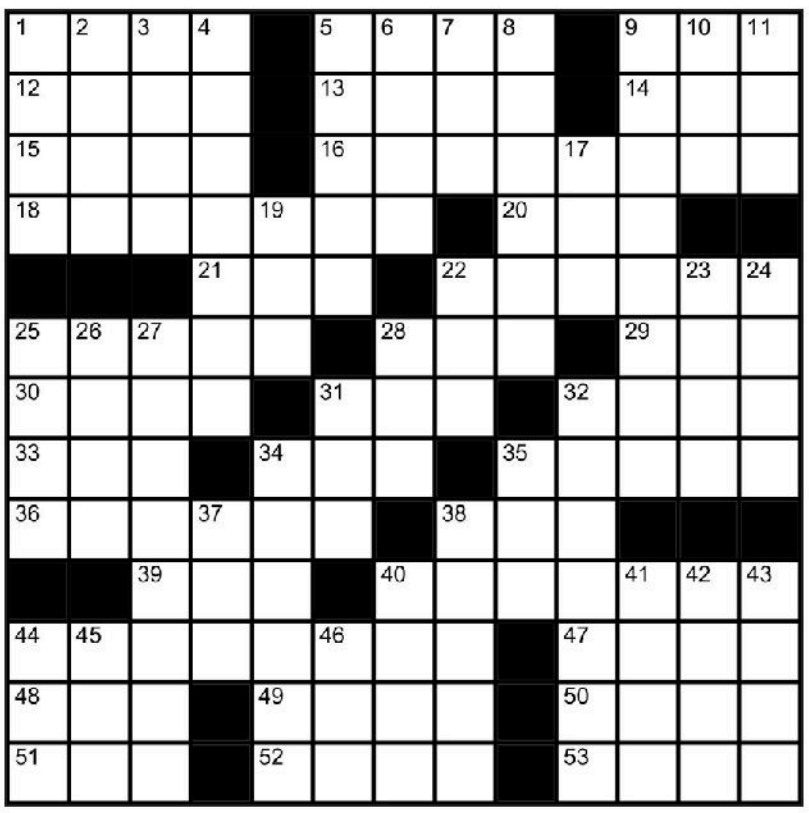
1 Amongst or surrounded by
5 Ballot
9 Corp. bigwig
12 Juniper
13 Analog, abbr.
14 To tear away
15 Colouring agents
16 One who writes words for songs
18 Intricate, knotty or perplexing
20 Child's bed
21 Behave; deed or doing
22 Wild cats of Indian jungles
25 Atmospherically moist
28 Flying mammal
29 Informal abbreviation of 'representative'
30 State positively
31 A soldier's personal equipment
32 Coffin stand
33 Radiation unit
34 Islet
35 Covered in green foliage
36 Lao-tse's doctrine
38 Metal container
39 French king
40 Exact revenge (3,4)
44 Friendly
47 Popular dog name - "if do" anagram
48 This supports a golf-ball
49 Part of speech
50 Made cooler
51 Mantric words
52 Sergeants, in short
53 Double digits

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

I	T	E	R	■	M	L	I	■	T	E	E	M
N	I	N	E	T	E	E	N	■	A	L	L	I
K	E	E	P	A	T	I	T	■	H	A	L	L
■	■	■	U	S	E	■	R	E	I	N	E	D
A	B	U	T	S	■	V	E	S	T	■	■	■
R	U	L	E	■	N	I	P	P	I	N	G	■
I	N	N	■	S	E	T	I	N	■	U	L	T
■	G	A	F	K	W	A	D	■	S	K	U	A
■	■	■	R	I	L	E	■	E	P	E	E	S
T	R	E	A	T	Y	■	A	D	E	■	■	■
H	A	T	S	■	W	I	L	D	C	A	T	S
A	C	N	E	■	E	N	T	A	I	L	E	D
W	E	A	R	■	D	C	I	■	E	T	T	U

DOWN

1 Back In Black rockers
2 Salad dressing
3 As previously given
4 Hopelessness
5 Jeeves was a famous one
6 Type of gemstone
7 Sailor - "art" anagram?
8 Draw out; evoke
9 Judging standards
10 Electronic Instrument Sys.
11 Choose
17 Gear tooth
19 Popular display technology
22 Tit for ___?
23 Chain of rocks
24 Active and alert
25 Male deer
26 Eye part
27 Recollections
28 Comedian's routine
31 Kipling book
32 Advantage, gain
34 Natives of our continent
35 Ignited
37 Ind. Oil Corp.
38 Adolescents
40 Surfeit or excess
41 Wickedness
42 Biblical garden
43 Signs of affirmation, assent, favourable decision, etc.
44 From _ ___ z : all (1,2)
45 Member, in short
46 Quagmire or marsh



SUDOKU

	1	6	8		9			
					1	7		
		8		5			3	1
		2						
1	7						6	2
						1		
3	4			1		9		
		9	4					
			7		3	2	4	

Answer to previous puzzle

7	8	5	4	1	3	9	6	2
4	1	2	6	9	8	5	3	7
3	9	6	7	2	5	4	1	8
6	7	8	5	3	4	2	9	1
5	2	1	8	7	9	6	4	3
9	4	3	1	6	2	7	8	5
8	3	7	9	5	6	1	2	4
2	5	9	3	4	1	8	7	6
1	6	4	2	8	7	3	5	9

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

YGV YZ ITV NTAVZ YSOVNIAHVP YZ VULNQIAYG PTYLFU SV

IY JAUVG ITV JAGUYJP ITMYLET JTANT JV HAVJ ITV JYMFU.

TODAY'S CLUE: I EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: The two agencies that redistribute great fortunes are taxation and offspring.

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The Boy & the Heron (Japanese)	(S-1)	4.45 pm
Guruvayur Ambalanadayil (Ma)	(S-1)	7.20 pm
Godzilla X Kong: The New Empire (E)	(S-2)	10.55 am
A (K)	(S-2)	1.20 pm
Srikanth (H)	(S-2)	4.25 pm
Ramana Avatara (K)	(S-2)	7.05 pm
Sureshinteyum Sumalathayudeyum (Ma)	(S-2)	10.05 pm
Switch { Case N: (K)	(S-3)	10.30 am
Inga Naan Thaan Kingu (Ta)	(S-3)	1.15 pm, 7.20 pm
Krishna Nee Begane Baaro (K)	(S-3)	4.15 pm
Aparichithudu (Te)	(S-3)	10 pm
Garifield Movie (E-3D)	(S-4)	10.50 am, 12.55 pm 3 pm, 5.05 pm
Kartam Bhugtam (H)	(S-4)	10.05 pm

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Ranahadu (K)	(S-1)	7.10 pm
Aranmanai 4 (Ta)	(S-2)	7 pm; (S-4) 1.30 pm
Guruvayoorambala Nadayil (Ma)	(S-3)	7 pm
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Kingdom of the Planet of Apes (E)	:	12.15 pm, 6.20 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	12.25 pm
Guruvayoorambala Nadayil (Ma)	:	12.30 pm, 3.25 pm, 9.30 pm
If (2024) (E)	:	12.50 pm, 6.45 pm, 9.15 pm
Inga Naan Thaan Kingu (Ta)	:	1 pm, 3.55 pm, 9.45 pm
Aparichitudu (Te)	:	3.05 pm
Kartam Bhugtam (H)	:	3.50 pm
Degree Maila (Nepali)	:	6.30 pm
A (1998) (K)	:	6.45 pm
Srikanth (H)	:	6.45 pm
Sureshanteyum Sumalathayudeyum Hrudayahariyaya Pranayakadha (Ma)	:	10 pm

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Trailers Screening Show	:	11.35 am
The Suit (K)	:	11.50 am
Inga Naan Thaan Kingu (Ta)	:	12.10 pm, 6.10 pm, 9.15 pm
Guruvayoorambala Nadayil (Ma)	:	1.15 pm, 6.35 pm, 9 pm
Kingdom of the Planet of Apes (E)	:	3 pm
Krishna Nee Begane Baaro (K)	:	3 pm
Switch { Case N: (K)	:	6.15 pm

EVENTS TODAY (MAY 22)

- **Ramsons Handicrafts:** 10th edition of Kreedaa Kaushalya, an exhibition of traditional board games of India, Ramsons Handicrafts emporium, opposite Mysuru Zoo, **up to 7 pm.**
- **JSS College of Arts, Commerce and Science (Autonomous), Ooty Road, Mysuru:** 16th Graduates' Day, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, former Chairman of ISRO and Member of Space Commission, Government of India, A.S. Kiran Kumar chief guest; JSS Mahavidyapeetha Executive Secretary Dr. C.G. Betsurmath presides over the function, JSS Mahavidyapeetha College Education Division Director Prof. R. Mugeshappa guest of honour, Golden Jubilee Hall, College premises, **3 pm.**
- **Sri Venkateshwara Dhyana Kendra:** Kendra's anniversary celebrations,discourse by Pt. Badarayanacharya, Uttaradi Mutt, Srirampura, **3.30 pm to 6 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAY 23)

- **Sri Venkateshwara Dhyana Kendra:** Kendra's anniversary celebrations, Homas and various rituals, Uttaradi Mutt, Srirampura, **8.30 am to 11.30 am and 3.30 pm to 6 pm.**
- **Ramsons Handicrafts:** 10th edition of Kreedaa Kaushalya, an exhibition of traditional board games of India, Ramsons Handicrafts emporium, opposite Mysuru Zoo, **10 am to 7 pm.**
- **YK Amrutha Bai SK Surama Bai Bhagini Seva Samaja Educational and Cultural Trust and Sri Vijaya Vittala Vidya Pratishtana:** Inauguration of BSS Vidyodaya (formerly Bhagini Seva Samaja), an initiative of Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala, Sri Vidyadheesha Theertha Swamiji of Palimar Mutt, Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji of Suttur Mutt and Sri Vishwaprasanna Theertha Swamiji of Pejawar Mutt will grace the occasion; Hamsini and troupe will present devotional music, BSS Vidyodaya, next to Raghavendra Swamy Mutt, Krishnamurthypuram, **5 pm.**
- **Kadamba Rangavedike, Mysuru:** Laughter Theatre Fest (Kadamba Nage Naatakothsava), Vishwajyothi Sri Panchakshara Natya Sanga Founder Jevargi Rajanna inaugurates, Actor Mysore Anand chief guest, Kannada and Culture Department Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy and Assistant Director Dr. M.D. Sudharshan will be present, Kadamba Rangavedike Founder-President Rajashekar Kadamba delivers the introductory speech, **6.30 pm;** Staging of play 'Nemmadi Apartment' by Kadamba Rangavedike, directed by Jeevan Kumar Heggodu, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru:** Moonlight Music Concert-267, vocal concert by Vid. Vinay Sharva, accompanied by Vidu. C.V. Shruthi on violin, Vid. K. Vishnuvardhan on mridanga and Vid. Srinidhi R. Koundinya on ghata; Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, Suttur Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6 pm.**

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Aranmanai 4 (Ta)	(S-4)	9.45 pm
Inga Naan Thaan Kingu (Ta)	(S-1)	3.20 pm; (S-3) 11.05 am
	(S-4)	6.55 pm
Kingdom of the Planet of Apes (E)	(S-2)	10 am, 7.05 pm
Ramana Avatara (K)	(S-4)	12.45 pm
The Garfield Movie (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.40 am, 1 pm, 6.10, 8.30 pm
If -2024 (E)	(S-3)	1.55 pm, 7.35 pm
Guruvayur Ambalandayil (Ma)	(S-3)	10 pm
A (K)	(S-3)	4.20 pm
Krishna Nee Begane Baaro (K)	(S-4)	3.40 pm

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Srikanth (H)	:	10.15 am, 7.05 pm
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Trailers Screening Show	:	11.40 am
Switch { Case N: (K)	:	12.20 pm
Ramana Avatara (K)	:	12.50 pm, 3.55 pm
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The Suit (K)	:	3.20 pm
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Inga Naan Thaan Kingu (Ta)	:	4.15 pm
Kiraathaka 2 (K)	:	6.30 pm
Manjummel Boys (Ma)	:	6.50 pm
Guruvayoorambala Nadayil (Ma)	:	9.30 pm, 9.45 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

EPFO's Nidhi Aapke Nikat

Mysuru, May 22- Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO), Regional Office, Mysuru, will hold its District Outreach Programme under Nidhi Aapke Nikat 2.0 on May 27 from 9 am onwards at the following venues in Mysuru, Mandya and Chamarajanagar:

Mysuru: Kalyani Motors Pvt. Ltd., No. 922, New Kantharaj Urs Road, Chamaraja Mohalla, Lakshmipuram.

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Stakeholders like PF Members, Pensioners and Employers may attend the programme for awareness, queries and information.

For details, contact PRO on Ph: 0821-2599200/222 or e-mail: *ro.mysore@epfindia.gov.in* or visit Social Media Platform *(@epfomysore)* of Regional Office, Mysuru, according to a press release from the EPFO.

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National Safety Council training in Mysuru

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